## Randolph County Board of Commissioners

# Minutes Meeting with the Board of Elections April 17, 2019

The Randolph County Board of Commissioners met at the Welcome Center located at 51 Court Street with the following members present: Chairman Steve Jackson, Vice-Chairman Wesley Williams, Commissioner Jimmie Allen and Commissioner Jimmy Bradley. Also, present were Finance Director Taryn Roberson, County Clerk Carlisa Cooper, Elections and Registrars Superintendent Todd Black and the Board of Elections Board Members: Thomas Bailey, Michelle Graham and Scott Peavy.

#### Commissioner Lamar White was not present.

In attendance were public attendees: Bobby Jenkins, Mary Kearney, Minnie Lewis, Sandra Willis, Karen Johnson, Edward Johnson, Marion Butler, W.H. Kearney and Lewis Shingles

Chairman Steve Jackson called the meeting to order and led the invocation.

#### I. Agenda Approval

Chairman Jackson called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion By: Wesley Williams

To approve the agenda as presented.

Second By: Jimmy Bradley

**MOTION CARRIED 3-0** 

Commissioner Jimmie Allen arrived at 3:04 p.m.

#### **II. Old Business**

### a. Updates from the Board of Elections on Precincts

Chairman Steve Jackson turned the meeting over to the Board of Elections to provide the updates on the voting precincts to the Board of Commissioners. Elections and Registrars Superintendent

Todd Black, presented the Board many statistics gathered from the previous 2018 General Election. The total number of active voters at the following precincts were presented:

- 4<sup>th</sup> District 107
- Fountain Bridge 76
- Springvale 253
- Carnegie 325
- Cuthbert Middle School 331
- Coleman 216
- Benevolence 355

Elections and Registrars Superintendent Todd Black also presented the actual turnout for the November 2018 Election:

- 4<sup>th</sup> District 56
- Fountain Bridge 37
- Springvale 71
- Carnegie 154
- Cuthbert Middle School 86
- Coleman 80
- Benevolence 129
- Shellman 693

Elections and Registrars Superintendent Todd Black also presented the actual turnout for the Run-Off on December 4, 2018:

- 4<sup>th</sup> District 35
- Fountain Bridge 18
- Springvale 40
- Carnegie 96
- Cuthbert Middle School 54
- Coleman 45
- Benevolence 67

Elections and Registrars Superintendent Todd Black presented the following reasons to consider possibly closing some precincts:

- Elections System and Software is around \$7,000.00 total cost per election due to having so many precincts.
- Precincts in parts of the County are without cell phone service.

• No air and heat for the poll workers and voters in certain precincts.

Todd Black, Elections and Registrars Superintendent, suggested to the County to look into providing rides to voters on the election day.

Attorney Hayden Hooks suggested to the Board of Commissioners and Board of Elections to have someone from the Regional Transportation Office to come speak with both Boards on providing services on election day.

Chairman Steve Jackson and Vice-Chairman Wesley Williams stated they are not in favor of closing precincts.

The citizens voiced their concerns on possible solutions to make sure all polling places remain open.

Commissioner Jimmie Allen stated instead of piling multiple problems on top of problems, lets correct one thing at a time.

The Board recommended Todd Black, Elections and Registrars Superintendent, to get quotes to see how much it will cost to do a Grade Study on each precinct that is not up to code.

#### III. New Business - None

#### IV. Executive Session - If Needed

There was no executive session needed at this meeting.

#### V. Adjourn

The Board approved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion By: Jimmie Allen

To adjourn.

Second By: Wesley Williams

**MOTION CARRIED 4-0** 

I hereby affirm and attest that these minutes are a true and correct copy of the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Randolph County formally approved on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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Carlisa Cooper, County Clerk